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SUBJ: TRAINING FOR THAI CUSTOMS OFFICERS IN BANGKOK

REFS: A. CUSTOMS 1821 B. BANGKOK 3977

1. REFTEL A, PARA 1, MISSION ADVISED, VIA INFORMAL INFORMATION
FROM US CUSTOMS, THAT INSTRUCTOR TRAINING WILL NOT REPEAT NOT BE
PROVIDED BY US CUSTOMS. PLEASE PROVIDE PARTICULARS.

2. REFTEL A, PARA 2, DOC AGREES TO PARTICIPATION OF INDONESIAN
OFFICERS IN TRAINING COURSE, HOWEVER, FUNDING FOR SUCH PARTICI-
PATION SHOULD BE BY U.S. PLEASE CLARIFY IN ORDER APPROPRIATE IN-
VITATION WITH ADEQUATE LEAD-TIME IS POSSIBLE.

3. REFTEL A, PARA 3, MISSION HAS IDENTIFIED CAPABLE INTERPRETERS.
ASSUME PAYMENT FOR SUCH INTERPRETERS WILL BE MADE BY USC TEAM
LEADER.

4. REFTEL A, PARA 4, COURSE CONTENT IS OF PRIMARY CONCERN TO
U.S. MISSION AND DOC. PLEASE FORWARD PARTICULARS ASAP. ADDI-
TIONALLY, DOC DESIRES INPUT INTO TRAINING PROGRAM IN ORDER THAT
TRAINING LOCALIZED. PROPOSED SUBJECTS ARE: (A) DOC ROLE IN NAR-
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COTIC INTERDICTION, (B) NARCOTIC PROBLEMS IN THAILAND, (C) IN-
TERDICTION PROBLEMS IN THAILAND, CONCLUDING WITH A "ROUND TABLE"
TYPE DISCUSSION REGARDING THE ABOVE.

5. MISSION SUGGESTS USC TEAM LEADER, AND TRAINING EQUIPMENT,
ARRIVE IN THAILAND NO LATER THAN APRIL 24 TO FACILITATE PROGRAM
SET UP IN ADDITION TO REVIEWING AVAILABLE DOC VIDEO TAPES,

SLIDES, ETC. FOR POSSIBLE INCLUSION INTO PROGRAM.

6. TO AVOID PROBLEM EXPERIENCED IN PAST AND TO ASSURE TIMELY CLEARANCE BY RTC AT AIRPORT OF TRAINING EQUIPMENT TEAM MEMBERS MUST HAVE AWB. MOST EXPEDITIOUS MEANS OF CLEARING EQUIPMENT THROUGH CUSTOMS IS TO SHIP AS ACCOMPANYING BAGGAGE.

7. TRAINING TEAM WILL BE BILLETED IN RAJAH HOTEL, SUKHUMVIT SOI 4, WHILE IN BANGKOK TO FACILITATE COMMUTING TO TRAINING FACILITY.
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